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Ladies and Gentlemen:

My grandson's other grandfather was a descendant of **Joh. Michael Breitenstein** who was born in 1798 and later emigrated to Utica, New York. At the time of his emigration he lived in **Augstein,** which is near Durkheim and was then part of the Kingdom of Bavaria. **Joh. Babtist Loeb,** who also lived in Utica, may have also been a forebear of my grandson through the Breitensteins.

While doing research on the Breitensteins in the Latter-Day-Saints microfilms I found a document in French which tells of a man named **Hirsch Liebmann,** identified as a businessman living in Roth, "a town near Nuremberg, that was still a territory of the Prussian Majesty". It appears that Herr Liebmann wanted to marry **Moerle Callman,** legal daughter of **Callman Lazaran** and **Michhela Joseph.** Moerle lived in Augstein. In order to celebrate the wedding it was necessary establish Moerle's birth date, because the Jewish community had not registered her when she was born. So the judge in Durkheim called in seven witnesses who could attest to Moerle's age.

They were:
Jacques Levi, businessman and farmer in Augstein
Michel Salomon, businessman and farmer in Augstein
Valentin Breitenstein, businessman and farmer in Augstein
Abraham Weder, businessman in Durkheim
Vincow Majer of Legfta, businessman in Durkheim
Salomon Loeb of Kaltfa, businessman in Durkheim
Elias Koch, farmer in Augstein

They testified that **Hirsch Liebmann** was the legal son of **Liebmann Hirsch,** a businessman. He fathered his son with his wife, **Schomle Abraham.** The boy was born on 17 March 1700 in Roth, near Nuremberg.

I hope this information is of interest to you. In the event you have further information about persons in the Durkheim/Augstein area bearing the surnames **Breitenstein** or **Loeb,** I would appreciate being advised. SASE is enclosed.

Sincerely,

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